

Chimneyville Weavers & Spinners Guild

October 2019 Newsletter

President's Message:

Another Great Fiber Festival

By Beth Palmer

Well, I'm still waiting for anticipated cooler autumn temperatures to arrive. The angle of the light has changed and we're now sliding down the slippery slope from the equinox to the solstice. And still the daytime temperatures top 90 degrees!

This past weekend many of our guild members enjoyed the second annual Fiber Fun in the 'Sip at the Vicksburg Convention Center. Beverly Anglin, Katie Clark, Brenda Harrower, Marcy Petrini and Donna Peyton taught various classes. Marcy and Donna judged the shawls created for the show while Katie designed the pattern for crochet. I took three classes (crocheted mitered squares, tuck and

brioche knitting, and next steps in spinning) and saw several of our guild members in other classes. All of us enjoyed perusing the wares of some fabulous vendors and sitting and stitching while listening to music and enjoying adult beverages. A good time was had by ALL who attended. Mark your calendar **now** for next year's festival Sept. 24-26, 2020!

National Spinning and Weaving Week lurks right around the corner (Oct. 7-13). This is a national event sponsored by the Handweavers' Guild of America to share our passion for spinning and weaving with those around us. So many in our communities do not know how their clothing and household textiles come into being. They may see cotton growing in the fields or cotton modules being transported down the road. But they may not connect those activities to the clothing and textiles they buy locally or online. This is an opportunity for us to educate folks in our communities and to share our love of fiber.



Beverly, Katie, Brenda, Donna and Marcy taught classes; Beth emceed the fashion show; Marcy and Donna juried it; Katie designed the crochet-along shawl; and Sharon had a booth. Besides taking classes, the vendors' market saw Alma, Carolyn, Jane, Jo, Debra Sue, Heather, Betty – and I may have missed a few people. CWSG was well represented at the 'Sip! See more photos throughout this newsletter.

—Marcy Petrini (Fiber Fun photos contributed by Beth Palmer and Terry Dwyer)

I'd like to challenge all of our guild members to find some opportunity during Spinning and Weaving Week to share what they love with others. Snap a photo and post it to our Facebook page at Chimneyville Spinners & Weavers Guild. Who knows? There might just be prizes available for those who participate! Keep weaving, Beth



September Meeting Minutes

Chimneyville Weavers and Spinners Guild met in the library of the Bill Waller Sr. Craft Center on Saturday, Sept. 21, 2019, at 10 a.m. Vice president Gio Chinchar presided in the absence of president Beth Palmer. There were 15 members present, which constituted a quorum. The agenda was passed out and approved. It was moved by Marcy Petrini and seconded by Kathy Perito to approve the minutes of the May 18 meeting as printed in the June newsletter. The minutes were approved.

Kathy Perito gave an update of Roc Day, to be held at the Bill Waller Sr. Craft Center on Jan. 11, 2020. The registration forms for participants are now live on the guild website. Vendor spaces are filling up quickly; at meeting time, only two vendor spaces were left. A call for volunteers to help with the set-up, activities of the day and clean-up was made by Kathy. Vendor set-up will be on the evening of Friday, Jan. 10. A potluck reception for vendors and out-of-town attendees will be held at Marcy Petrini's home at 950 Fairfax Circle, Jackson, Miss., following the set-up on Friday. Registration on Friday for vendors and on Saturday for participants will be headed by Jeanne Marie Peet. Helpers will be needed for registration and for clean-up at the end of the day. Volunteers will also be needed for handling the box lunches to be delivered, replenishing coffee and snacks, working at the guild sale booth, monitoring the restrooms, participating in the show-and-tell area, and other details as requested by Kathy Perito. Items for filling goodie bags were suggested by Kathy, and each member is requested to donate items for the bags or for door prizes.

Annual dues are due Sept. 21, 2019.

Special Interest Group sign-up sheets were distributed for members to indicate interest in Beginning Weaving or in Fibers, Color and Blending Board (spinning). The interest groups would be open to all members. There will be a coordinator for each group.

The proposed budget for 2019-2020 was accepted as presented.

Several upcoming events were mentioned: *Fiber Fun in the 'Sip* (Sept. 26-28, Vicksburg), National Spinning and Weaving Week (Oct. 7-13), Convergence 2020 (July 24-30, 2020, Knoxville, Tenn.) and the Southeast Fiber Forum, held every other year.

A holiday party will be hosted by Marcy Petrini at her home on Dec. 14.



The meeting was adjourned. **Who Am I?**, a special show-and-tell program presented by the members, was enjoyed by all.

Respectfully submitted by Jeanne Marie Peet, secretary

October Meeting: Demo Day with Potluck Lunch

By Gio Chinchar, vice president

After our business meeting on Oct. 19 we will convene to the large hall downstairs for a **day of demonstrations and fellowship to share our passion**. Bring your favorite craft to work on in support of filling Roc Day goodie bags as we spend the day working together and enjoying a potluck lunch.

Sharon Williams adds that Rhonda Blasingame will give a brief talk on preparing to qualify for membership in the Craftsmen's Guild.

Show Deadline Reminder; Upcoming Shows

Please plan to bring your pieces for our *2020 Vision* exhibit to the guild's Christmas party at Marcy's on Dec. 14.

The exhibit will hang in the Craft Center's George Berry Gallery in conjunction with Roc Day. For more info, contact Sharon Williams at sewweaver@gmail.com.

Sharon plans to move these pieces to the "Artrageous" exhibit at the Northwest Community College Art Gallery in February, with participants' permission.

In March we will have an exhibit at the George Berry Gallery in conjunction with Sheep to Shawl.



Roc Day 2020 is Just Around the Corner!

By Kathy Perito, Roc Day chair

Registrations are flowing in for the Roc Day 2020 celebration to be held on Jan. 11, 2020, at the Bill Waller Craft Center. Registration for an individual participant that is received on or before Nov. 30 is \$25. Registrations received from Dec. 1-14 are \$35, so don't wait too long to get registered!

We've had a great vendor response, and at this time, all our vendor spaces are full. Get ready for a fabulous day of shopping with:

- John D's Wood things
- Desoto Arts Council

- A Stoka Gene-us Alpacas
- Jems Luxe Fibers
- Marsh Mellow Meadows
- Marcy Petrini
- Chimneyville Weavers and Spinners Guild

And to help the fun get started a little bit early, once we help our vendors get moved in and set up on Friday afternoon, we will have a Friday evening gathering to kick things off. Details of the gathering will be sent by email to registered participants closer to the event date.

If you would like to be a vendor but have not yet registered, please send me an email and we'll see what we can work out.

If you have any questions, please contact me at
GulfCoastRocDay2020@gmail.com

Financial Report

Per the last financials, the balance was \$5,740.34 at 05/25/19.

Add: Interest \$ 0.17

Dues deposits 675.00

Retreat deposits 693.90

Less: President's pin (45.00)

Retreat down payment (1,415.16)

Balance as of 09/13/19 statement is \$5,649.25.

Less: Final retreat check, uncashed (820.93)

Adjusted account balance: \$4,828.32

Please note that this balance does not include deposits made after 09/13, nor does it include the Roc Day deposits made by Kathy.



Upcoming Events

- **National Spinning and Weaving Week**, Oct. 7-13
- **Chimneyville Arts Festival**, Dec. 6-8, Mississippi Trade Mart, Jackson. Details: www.CraftsmensGuildofMS.org
- **Roc Day, Jan. 11**, Bill Waller Sr. Craft Center, Ridgeland. Details: www.GulfCoastRocDay.com
- **Convergence 2020**, July 24-30, Knoxville, Tenn.

About Chimneyville Weavers & Spinners Guild

CWSG brings together people who enjoy and want to learn more about weaving and spinning. Our guild is based in the Jackson, Mississippi, area.

Officers

Each officer serves a two-year term on the CWSG board.

President: Beth Palmer

Vice President: Gio Chinchar

Secretary: Jeanne Marie Peet

Treasurer: Nancy Hester
Librarian/Historian: Kathy Perito
Past President: Nancy Landrum

Membership

Membership is open to anyone with like interests. The annual membership fee is \$25. A membership form is available at cvillewsg.com/ ; click on "membership."

Meetings

CWSG usually meets on the third Saturday of the month, September through May. Meetings include a business session, program and show-and-tell. We begin at 10 a.m. at the Bill Waller Sr. Craft Center in Ridgeland, Miss., unless otherwise noted. Here are scheduled programs for 2019-2020:

- **Oct. 19:** A day of demonstrations and fellowship; potluck lunch
- **Nov. 16:** Marcy Petrini: *Transitioning from a Four-Shaft to an Eight-Shaft Loom*
- **Dec. 14:** Holiday party at Marcy's house
- **Jan. 11, 2020:** Roc Day
- **Feb. 15:** Specialty looms
- **March 14:** Sheep to Shawl
- **April 18:** Marva Goodman: *Spinning Short Fibers*
- **May 16:** *Beyond Squares and Rectangles: What to Do with Leftover Fabric*



Newsletter

Please email newsletter submissions to newsletter editor Debbie Stringer (dhstringer@gmail.com) by the first day of the month of publication. Next deadline is Nov. 1 for the November issue.

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